

U.S. AND INDIA: AN EMERGING ENTENTE?

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing entitled “The U.S. and India: An Emerging Entente?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: R. Nicholas Burns, Under Secretary, Political Affairs; and Robert Joseph, Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security.

SECURITY AND FAIRNESS ENHANCEMENT FOR AMERICA ACT

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims approved for full Committee action H.R. 1219, Security and Fairness Enhancement for America Act of 2005.

REVIEW OF U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE OPERATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing entitled “Review of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office operations, including analysis of Government Accountability Office, Inspector General, and National Academy of Public Administration Reports.” Testimony was heard from Jon W. Dudas, Under Secretary and Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Anu K. Mittal, Director, Science and Technology Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

FREEDOM IN THE WORKPLACE—AN EXAMINATION OF A NATIONAL RIGHT TO WORK LAW

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Workforce, Empowerment, and Government Programs held a hearing entitled “Freedom in the Workplace—An Examination of a National Right to Work Law.” Testimony was heard from Representative Wilson of South Carolina; and public witnesses.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity approved for full Committee action H.R. 3665, Veterans Housing Improvement Act of 2005.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL UPDATES/HOTSPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a Briefing on Global Updates/Hotspots. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 9, 2005**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.